

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY ATHENS  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2843

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EO 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINS, PFOR, US, GR  
SUBJECT: TERRORISM

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED ON MARCH 20 LETTER ADDRESSED TO  
AMBASSADOR TASCA FROM FOREIGN MINISTER TETENES REPLYING  
TO AMBASSADOR'S MARCH 11 (POUCHED SEPARATELY TO NEA/GRK) LETTER  
ON TERRORISM. AMBASSADOR'S  
LETTER (ATHENS 1307) INCLUDED POINTS WHICH DEPARTMENT  
REQUESTED BE MADE TO MFA (STATE 041958). TEXT OF  
TETENES' LETTER DATED MARCH 15 FOLLOWS.

2. QUOTE. MY DEAR AMBASSADOR,  
I THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER DATED 11 MARCH 1974.  
I CANNOT BUT REPEAT THAT THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE  
LAWS OF THE REPUBLIC IS OF THE EXCLUSIVE DOMAIN OF THE GREEK GOV-  
GREEK ERNMENT.

AS YOU RAISE A FEW POINTS IN YOUR INFORMAL LETTER  
I WISH TO STRESS THAT THE GREEK GOVERNMENT HAS ALWAYS  
ACTED IN SUCH A WAY AS TO FULFILL IN THESE MATTERS THEIR  
OBLIGATIONS TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IN THE FRAME  
OF THE INTERESTS OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY OF GREECE.

THIS PRINCIPLE WAS THE GUIDE-LINE WHICH THE GREEK  
GOVERNMENT FOLLOWED DURING THE LAST TERRORIST ACTION  
AT ELLINIKON AIRPORT AND PROVED SUCCESSFUL BY AVOIDING  
A TRAGEDY.

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AS FAR AS I KNOW THE GREEK GOVERNMENT IS THE FIRST  
TO HAVE TAKEN SUCH A STAND NOT ONLY BY STATEMENTS BUT  
ALSO BY ACTS.

WITH PERSONAL BEST WISHES,  
SINCERELY,  
SPYRO TETENES END QUOTE  
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